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**RCA - CLMD**

Austin City Council

Item ID:

5264

Meeting Date:

April 21, 2011

Department:

Contract and Land Management

Subject

Authorize execution of a construction contract with AUSTIN UNDERGROUND, INC. (MBE /MH-87.70%), Lago Vista, TX for the Central Business District Alleys Water & Wastewater Rehabilitation project in the amount of \$2,233,098.00 plus a \$223,309.00 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,456,407.00.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:

Lowest bid of seven bids received.

Prior Council Action:**For More Information:**

Aldo Ranzani, P.E., 972-1122; Tony Krauss, P.E., 974-7138; Shannon Wisner, 974-7704; April Shaw, 974-7141

Boards and Commission Action:

Recommended by the Water & Wastewater Commission.

MBE / WBE:

This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 8.41% MBE and 2.58% WBE subcontractor participation.

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

This project involves the replacement of deteriorating water and wastewater lines in the alley ways of Austin's Central Business District. The utility lines were first installed in the 1930's, and the system has been expanded as Austin's Central Business District grew. The existing lines are subject to frequent breakage and leakage to the extent that ongoing repair costs have exceeded an acceptable level. This work will upgrade the water lines, wastewater lines and road surfaces in the affected streets and alleys resulting in reliable, long-term utility services.

Replacement pipe quantities and sizes are 4559 linear feet from 2 inches to 12 inches in diameter, 939 linear feet from 4 inches to 16 inches in diameter for the Alternate (Federal Courthouse), and 663 linear feet from 6 inches to 12 inches in diameter.

Due to the potential for encountering unknown subsurface conditions and underground utilities, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders.

The solicitation included a bid alternate that has been accepted to construct a new 12 inch diameter water line in San Antonio Street from 3rd Street to 6th Street for the new Federal Courthouse.

The contract allows 300 calendar days for final completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78701 and is bounded by East 8th Street on the north, Sabine Street on the east, West 3rd Street on the south and West Avenue on the west.